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**United States Attorney's Office Announces Federal Funding for Anti-Gang Initiative**

**Overview of the Anti-Gang Initiative**

The U.S. Department of Justice has dedicated funding to support new and expanded anti-gang prevention and enforcement efforts under the Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Initiative. Anti-Gang Initiative funds will enhance PSN task force efforts to combat gangs by building on the effective strategies and partnerships developed under PSN.

**Application Deadline**

The due date for applying for funding under this announcement is 5:00 p.m. on February 15, 2007.

**Anti-Gang Initiative-Specific Information**

*All awards are subject to the availability of appropriated funds and any modifications or additional requirements that may be imposed by law.*

DOJ is working to dedicate funding to support current and expanded anti-gang prevention and enforcement efforts under the PSN Initiative. The Anti-Gang Initiative funds will enhance PSN task force efforts to combat gangs by building on effective PSN strategies and partnerships. Each district must show how their gang funding may impact their PSN strategies and need for additional funding. Through the development of district-wide comprehensive anti-gang strategies, the U.S. Attorney in each of the 94 federal judicial districts will partner with local law enforcement and others in the PSN task force to pattern strategies after PSN's five essential elements. Additional guidance may be found at [www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/psngrants/](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/psngrants/).

**Amount and Length of the Awards**

Each district will receive a formula-based award amount that will flow through the PSN fiscal agent. This formula is based on the district population and crime problem, including the impact of gang problems. Awards will be made for a period of 36 months.

**Performance Measures**

To assist in fulfilling the Department's responsibilities under the Government Performance and Results Act, applicants who receive funding under this solicitation must provide data that measures the results of their work. Performance measures for this solicitation are as follows:

Goal	Performance Measures	Data Grantee Provides
1. Reduce the occurrence of violent gang-related incidents through both reactive and proactive efforts supported by enforcement planning coordinated with federal, state, and local law enforcement and informed by data and real-time intelligence.	The percentage of combined homicides, aggravated assaults, and robberies that are gang-related.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The total number of gang-related* homicides that occurred during the current reporting period.</li> <li>• The total number of gang-related* aggravated assaults that occurred during the current reporting period.</li> <li>• The total number of gang-related* robberies that occurred during the current reporting period.</li> <li>• The total number (gang-related* and non gang-related) of homicides, aggravated assaults, and robberies that occurred during the current reporting period.</li> </ul>
2. Reduce the occurrence of youth gang-related incidents and increase positive outcomes for youth at high risk for gang involvement through targeted, evidenced-based gang prevention (for grantees using funding for prevention programming).	The percentage of youth completing program requirements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Total number of youth participating in the program during the current reporting period.</b></li> <li>• Number of youth that completed the program during the current reporting period.</li> <li>• Number of youth that exited the program during the current reporting period without completing the program.</li> </ul>

## How To Apply

Applications must be in narrative form, no longer than five pages, explaining what the program funding is being requested for and how that program will work to reduce gun crime. All applications need to be on agency letter head and list a point of contact. Should you have any questions please contact Shana Jones at [shana.jones@usdoj.gov](mailto:shana.jones@usdoj.gov) or Natalie Brown at [natalie.brown@oag.state.tx.us](mailto:natalie.brown@oag.state.tx.us). All applications must be submitted to Natalie Brown at the above e-mail address.